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In re Application of

Toshiaki Kanemitsu et al

Appln. No. : 09/638,032

Filed : August 15, 2000

For : METHOD OF PRODUCING A ROTARY
MEMBER MADE OF A METALLIC
PLATE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits of this continuation application, please amend
the claims as follows

Please cancel claims 1-6 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

Please add the following new claims:

7. In a method of producing a rotary member made of a metallic plate by which there
is formed, at the center of a plate-like metallic blank, a case-like boss which projects in one direction
from the lateral side of the blank,

said method comprising the steps of:

curving a plate-like metallic blank such that said blank is convex in the direction in
which a boss is adapted to project, has a resulting arcuate portion, and an outer peripheral edge
portion as well; and